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OUTBURST.

Mr. John Galsworthy, writing to "The Times," states:—I am moved to speak out what I feel, and I am sure, many others are feeling. We are a so-called civilized country; we have a so-called Christian religion; we profess humanity. We have a Parliament of chosen persons, to each of whom we pay \$400 a year, so that we have at least some right to say:— "Please do our business, and that quickly." And yet we sit and suffer such barbarities and mean cruelties to go on amongst us as must dry the heart of God. I cite a few only of the abhorrent things done daily, daily left undone, done and left undone, without shadow of doubt, against the conscience and general will of the community:—

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Slaughter for food of millions of creatures every year by absolute methods that make the interest of the animal that is the plumes of ruthlessly slain wild birds, mothers with young in the nest, to decorate our gentlemen.

Such as these—damnable barbarities done to helpless creatures—are suffered amongst us year after year. They are admitted to be inhuman, in favour of their abolition there would be found at any moment a round majority of unfeeling Parliamentarians and general opinion.

One and all they are removable, and many of them by small expenditure of Parliamentary time, public money, and expert care. Almost any one of them is productive of more suffering to innocent and helpless creatures, human or not, and probably of more secret harm to our spiritual life, more damage to human nature, than, for example, the admission or rejection of Tariff Reform.

The Disestablishment or preservation of the Welsh Church, I would almost say that the granting or non-granting of Home Rule—questions that set up "ad infinitum" the energies, the interest, the time of those who elect and pay to manage our business. And I say it is rotten that, for mere want of Parliament, any interest and time, we cannot have manifest and striking cases such as these treated and banished once for all from the nation's body. I say it is rotten that due time and machinery cannot be found to deal with these and other barbarities to man and beast, concerning which, in the main, no real controversy exists.

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10 P.M. 'HONAM.' 4 P.M. 'KINSHAN.'

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brought about solely because of the fact that they had also unwittingly embarrassed the Government by endorsing the statement inadvertently made by Colonel Seely in his reply to Brig-General Gough. Field Marshal French has since stated that he did so reluctantly, and his statement was, of course, accepted by the Government and pressure applied to cause the gallant Field Marshal to continue to hold his high position. Similar pressure was also applied in the case of General Ewart, but, in both cases, unsuccessfully. It is good to learn that Field Marshal French strongly disapproves of the action of the politically biased cavalry officers, and that he was in favour of having them court-martialled. It is very regrettable that such distinguished soldiers should deem it necessary to resign on the present occasion, as there seems little reason for so drastic a step; and it is to be hoped that the Government may yet be able to cause both Field Marshal French and General Ewart to re-consider the matter.

We note with pleasure that the Chief Ministerial Whip, speaking at Blackburn, took the opportunity to say that "if every soldier resigned, the Government would not flinch a hair's breadth in their task." This remark will, we feel sure, be received with as much enthusiasm throughout the country as it was by the Blackburn audience, who are stated to have received it with "vociferous cheering." By "soldiers" is, of course, meant officers; and undoubtedly the present Government will soon make any recalcitrant military officer realise the significance of his position if he wishes dismissal at the present juncture of affairs. It is too patently a reflection of their political opinions, and, as the British will never tolerate any Government measure being appraised by any officer prior to his acceptance or non-acceptance of its consequences, Government may depend upon receiving the hearty support of the country.

HONGKONG GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENTS.

The following appointments were gazetted today—
By direction of His Excellency the Governor Mr. Walter Schield is attached for duty to the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, with effect from March 15.

Mr. E. E. the Governor has been pleased to appoint Lieutenant Philip De Bonis, Barrister-at-Law, to act as his Private Secretary, in addition to his military duties, with effect from April 9. Mr. E. E. the Governor has been pleased to nominate, under the provisions of Statute 4 of the University Ordinance, 1911 (Ordinance No. 10 of 1911), Mr. S. W. Tsui to be a Chinese Member of the Council of the University of Hong Kong, in the place of Mr. Ng Li Hing.

In exercise of the powers conferred upon him by Section 5 of the Full Court Ordinance, 1912, I.E. the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. F. A. Hazell, Barrister-at-Law, to be a Judge of the Full Court for the purpose of the proceedings now pending in Original Jurisdiction Action No. 166 of 1913, between Charles Alexander Jones, appellant, and Robert Sheehan, respondent.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Among the 187 passengers carried by the Pacific Mail liner Manchuria which left yesterday for the States were Admiral W. B. Brownson U.S.N. and Mrs. Brownson.

Lady Lockhart, wife of the Commissioner of Weihaiwei, (a former Colonial Secretary of Hongkong), and Miss Lockhart are at present paying a visit to Sir John and Lady Jordan in Peking.

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The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The English Mail of the 23rd February was delivered in London on the 27th March.

Yamuchi has been placed out of bounds for all troops owing to the prevalence of plague.

The Hongkong Christian Union will its weekly meeting at St. Paul's College on Monday at 2.30 p.m.

The No. 1 golf club at Fan Ling has reported to the police the theft of five chickens, valued at \$5.

The band of H.M.S. Minotaur played during dinner, and afterwards for dancing at the Peak Hotel last evening.

Four bodies have been found by the Hongkong police to the mortuary. Death in each case is attributed to smallpox.

The West River steamer Chan Po (Capt. Campbell) has been sold to Foochow buyers, and will be delivered next month.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the Week ending 14th March amounted to 60,891.88 tons and the sales during the period, 49,568.18 tons.

One month's imprisonment and four hours' stocks was the sentence imposed upon a Chinese of Yamuchi who stolen from No. 331 Shanghai Street a pair of slippers valued 65 cents.

The Bishop of Victoria to-morrow will preach at the Cathedral at 11 a.m., and conduct a service in the Victoria 'golf in afternoon. On Tuesday next he is holding a confirmation at St. Andrew's, Kowloon, at 6 p.m.

Dr. G. E. Morrison, Political Adviser to the President of the Republic of China, came down to Hongkong by the Desanka, accompanying thus far by Mrs. Morrison, who is continuing her journey to England by the steamer. Dr. Morrison is returning to Peking immediately.

Mr. Hazell this morning inflicted a fine of \$30 or two months imprisonment, for the theft of a gold bangle set with stones and valued at \$100. Inspector McHardy, who prosecuted, said the police captured the thief when he was in the act of passing the bangle.

A Chinese, aged 20 years, has been admitted to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from injuries to his hands and arms, which he said were due to blasting stone. The police, on making inquiries, ascertained that the man had been fishing with dynamite at Sai Kung.

His friends in Hongkong will regret to hear that Mr. T. M. Devillias, manager in Manila for the Standard Oil Corporation, was stricken with paralysis last Saturday while on a hunting trip at Los Banos. Mr. Devillias is now at St. Luke's hospital in a serious condition, his entire right side being paralyzed.

A Japanese woman, Mrs. Sato Nichigori, fifty years of age, committed suicide at her house No. 305 Miller Road, Shanghai between 5 and 6 a.m. on the 24th inst. The act was done with a dagger, the woman cutting her throat. An inquest was held by the Japanese Consular authorities, who returned a verdict of suicide whilst of unsound mind.

From Shau Tsai Kok yesterday, a Chinese cobbler was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from injuries by a bamboo stick and a piece of iron which he said were due to another cobbler, who has since absconded. The two cobblers were in the habit of travelling round the district together mending shoes and they had a quarrel.

It will be learnt with regret that the Kang Hsi Encyclopedia, which it was sought to obtain at a cost of \$500 for the Cambridge University Library, has gone into other hands. The University had already raised £300 and was just sending the money on account, when the news was received that the Encyclopedia had been sold. Not only is the loss a great disappointment, but the Library authorities feel distressed that many kind friends have been put to needless trouble, to whom it is now only possible to return their cheques with many thanks.

A FAMILY NOVELTY.

LIVERY family should be provided with Chamberlain's Pain Balm at all times. Sprains may be cured in much less time when promptly treated. Lame back, lame shoulders, pains in the side and chest and rheumatic pains are some of the diseases for which it is especially valuable. Try this liniment and become acquainted with its qualities and you will never wish to be without it. For sale by all Chemists and Druggists.

THE CHILDAR PIRACY.

REWARD OF A THOUSAND DOLLARS.

The Government is offering, through the Police Department, a reward of \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction for piracy in Hongkong, or for extradition for the same offence from Hongkong to China, of the persons concerned in the piratical attack on the steamer Childar, near Mentoz Island, on March 15.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not necessarily acquiesce in opinions expressed by correspondents.—Ed.]

THE "STATUTE SQUARE" TREES.

Sir—Speculation as to the reason for the tree cutting in Statue Square, affords little consolation to those who regret their destruction. But it is no use crying over spilt milk, the trees have been cut down and can no more be set up again than can "Humpty Dumpty." New trees may, however, be planted. It is not a question of "International Policy on which the Government may have secret information which places it in a position to say which course is best, nor is it an abstract technical matter on which the Government may have acted on "expert" advice, but it is just a matter for the "man in the street" to say whether he prefers the shade of the trees to the glaring sun light and whether he wishes to have that shade at the cost of some slight obstruction to a view of the statues and to motor traffic. Personally I prefer the shade and have often walked half way across the road to get it. I think the trees would have been better placed at the kerb than in the middle of the road and that Camphor trees would be more suitable than Candlenut and Colia, but these are details. I suggest that a petition be got up in which the Ratepayers may state whether or not they wish for trees in Statue Square. I have little doubt which way the verdict would be, and can scarcely believe the Government would act against it.

Yours faithfully,

L. GIBBS.

Hongkong, March 23.
[We heartily endorse Mr. Gibbs' views in this matter, as we are of opinion that the ruthless removal of the trees was nothing more or less than an atrocious piece of vandalism.—Ed.]

AN OFFICER INJURED.

A Broken Arm at Training.

Major Wadehouse, of the Bluchers, had the misfortune to break an arm at the race course this morning while training for the Gymkhana. He was riding Sling, and sustaining a fall near the weighing enclosure, breaking the limb below the elbow. Surgeon Hastings, R.N., who was watching the gallops, attended to the injury and afterwards Major Wadehouse was taken to the Military Hospital.

GERMANY AND CHINA.

New Institute Founded.

Far-Reaching Schemes.

BERLIN, March 1.

A new German-China Institute, the object of which is to promote German economic interests in China, was formally constituted at a meeting in Berlin last night. It is started under the auspices of a number of prominent men in the German industrial, financial, and technical world.

The committee of the Institute comprises representatives of exceedingly powerful industrial and exporting organisations, as well as banking interests, economic associations, and shipping lines interested in the China trade, the Colonial Society, and the East Asia Association of Hamburg.

The Institute has thus very wealthy and influential backing, and will, it is officially stated, bring German scientific and technical achievements to the knowledge of the people of China, and will promote improved economic relations between China and Germany.

These aims will be effected especially by the establishment and maintenance of German-Chinese schools in China for commercial, technical, and medical training, while Chinese-German sanatoria will also be established. German teachers will be supplied to Chinese schools, and support will be given to exploration work. Another feature of the Institute will be to afford assistance to Chinese students in Germany.—Reuter.

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SPORTING.

KOWLOON BOWLING GREEN CLUB.

Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club attracted a large gathering of members to the clubhouse last evening. Mr. B. Hall, vice-president, was in the chair.

The Chairman, referring to the report and balance sheet, said the actual profit made during the year—\$27.32—was not large, but he reminded the members that the club was not run with the idea of making money. They saw what they could, but they had to move with the times and this entailed the making of improvements and the taking up of new games.

Attention was called to three items in the balance sheet—\$230 spent on entertaining \$115 on lighting and \$50 for an auditor—and the opinion was expressed that these amounts for a small club of 65 members, were excessive. The Chairman promised that the committee would give the matter attention and see if the amounts can be reduced next year. A proposition to discontinue the services of a professional auditor was defeated.

The report and accounts were passed. New draft rules were submitted and discussed and several small amendments made. It was decided to alter the quorum of the committee from seven to five; and the quorum of a general meeting from ten to ten members in addition to the committee. The rule relating to demand for a poll by members was also amended to read in the sense that a chairman of a general meeting may in his discretion order a poll of the whole of the members to be taken on any matter on the demand of two or more members, at a time to be appointed.

Strong objection was taken to a suggestion to raise the yearly subscription from \$20 to \$24, and the opinion was expressed by at least one member that old members who had been "responsible for the spadeswork of the club should be made life members. The proposal to raise the subscription was defeated by a large majority.

On the motion of Mr. Crawford it was agreed to adopt the club colours, blue and white, and also that the monogram, A.B.G.C., shall be worn on the left breast of the shirt or sweater. Mr. R. Hall was unanimously appointed President for the ensuing year and Mr. D. Cooper Vice-President. Mr. W. J. Crawford was appointed treasurer in place of Mr. D. S. Cooper, resigned, and Mr. R. G. Taylor was re-elected secretary.

The following committee was chosen: Messrs. D. Harvey, G. L. Duncan, W. Russell, J. Rutter, H. Shires, J. Tully, B. L. Frost, and W. O. Lambert.

Lawn Tennis.

HONGKONG C.C. TOURNAMENT.

The following matches were played last evening:

SINGLES: H. C. A. CLARK.
First round: R. D. Stewart (wins 15-6, 6-2) beat Major S. Palmer (wins 15-2, 6-2).
C. Master (wins 15-6, 6-2) beat R. F. Nisbet (wins 15-6, 6-2).
H. A. G. May (wins 15-6, 6-2) beat C. Wilson (wins 15-6, 6-2).

HOME BILLIARDS.

The results of the London Tournament to the end of February are as follows:

	Games won.	Games lost.	Special points.
T. Newman (rec. 2,000)	5	0	105
A. F. Peall (rec. 4,000)	4	1	51
E. Diggle (rec. 1,250)	2	2	25
T. Aiken (rec. 1,750)	2	3	13
M. Iman (rec. 1,000)	1	3	25
T. Reece (rec. 750)	1	3	11
H. W. Stevenson (scratch)	1	4	26

Mr. F. Travers-Smith left Tientsin on 17th inst. for a six months' trip in Europe during which he will be married in London to Miss Marshall, a daughter of an old resident. Dr. Marshall. He is popular among the highest class of Chinese, two of whom, Prince Tai-Lin and Dr. Kwan he will accompany on their tour of Europe.

For a long time what is now the fruitful irrigated land of Canada was given a wide berth. Then southern farmers, who had been accustomed to such soil and conditions, came along with results to themselves and the land that were little short of phenomenal. Now another tract of so-called "worthless land" is about to be taken up. Four hundred settlers who have been living in the Kalamazoo district of Michigan, the great celery-raising country, are migrating to the township of Danwith in West Elgin, Ontario, to develop a similar industry there. They have secured some 2,000 acres of low and swampy lands, suitable to celery culture, and plan to start business on an extensive scale.

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THE CHINA LOAN.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, March 7.

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If publicity will help, Dr. Chen Chin Tao, the new Financial Commissioner to Europe, should find the road to the acquisition of a £20,000,000 loan for China, very much easier than any time this last twelve months. Never before, if conditions take a steeper turn, and doubt as to the future of the government in the Republic is dispelled. There was a message on the tape the other night, for example, in all the clubs, from a Peking correspondent, stating that very soon representation would be made to Yuan Shih Kai that only by his assuming the monarchy could China be saved. It predicted that he would pretend to scorn such a suggestion, but that he would be followed by a carefully-planned series of telegrams from the provincial governors urging Yuan to yield in the interests of the country. Then Yuan is to take the crown with every manifestation of reluctance, and the "lame dog" is to be complete.

The old China hand who called me to the tape to take a look at this great news, and he was right. He declared that all our British papers were muzzled on China, but I had to reassure him and explain to him that most of the papers' big sales were in fact in the hands of foreign agents, on the principle attributed to James Gordon Bennett that "a dog fight in the Bowery is worth a war in the Balkans." Also I pointed out that the enormous rush of matter every night far overfilled the space limits, so the editorial judgment had to be severe, and China, being so changeable a scene, there was precious little room for prediction. Nevertheless, it is true that with exception of the "Daily Telegraph" the British press is none too intelligent on China affairs.

For all that, the a plenty of publicity, as I said before, of the kind that is put in interviews, magazine articles, and extracts from consular reports. I am personally acquainted with General Armstrong of Hongkong, but I frequently hear the opinion expressed that his reports to Washington should be more light on Eastern trade developments in general, coming way than any other documents that come from the Far East for public view.

The "Old China Hand" aforesaid is very pessimistic, and very anti-Yuan. He blames the British government for their attitude during the last twelve months and he says what I know to be true, that the lack of confidence in the immediate future of China is seriously hampering the development of British enterprise in China, because the principals here at home regard such schemes for China at present as something like buying a pig in a poke.

The report is easy, but these political changes affect the official life of the commercial life of China, pursue more or less the even tenor of its way, but to get the British manufacturer to see that is another matter.

Mr. T. Diamond Harvey M.P., has an article in the "Contemporary Review" on "International Extortion in China" in which he criticises the Five Power Loan and the methods of financial relation to China's needs. He says, among other things, "So far two nations only, Great Britain and the United States, have confined their claims to direct charges, while some nations have made the most altogether out of proportion to the number of their nationals and the volume of their trade. It is not difficult to understand the reason: which has been aroused in China by this at the moment, when all that she can borrow is for the development of her own internal resources." This refers to the claims for compensation to be paid by China to Chinese merchants who suffered loss of property during the Revolution, and were in debt to foreign firms. It is under that they may be enabled to discharge their liabilities to their creditors.

There has been an interview in the "Financial Times" with Dr. Chen, and an interview with Mr. W. E. Bemis of the Standard Oil, in which he speaks of huge enterprises in China, and affirms that millions of dollars, and affirms that in the Chinese and "one absolute confidence in China and the Chinese."

AMERICA CUP.

Sir T. Lipton's Challenger.

Boston, Feb. 28.

Sir Thomas Lipton, passing through Bombay to-day homeward bound from Australia, had an interesting chat with an interviewer about his new challenger for the America Cup. "I never felt more confident," he said, "than I do now. No, I cannot give away details of the challenger's construction, but I can say that those newspapers which have been indulging in prophecies about the construction are entirely wide of the mark. They will be vastly surprised when they come to know the true construction of the boat."

The boat, Sir Thomas Lipton said, will be launched about the middle of April. "She will really be the fifth Shamrock, but I shall call her Shamrock IV," he said. "I have a great belief in the four-leaved Shamrock. She will be cutter rigged. I shall be racing six weeks in England before I put the ocean zig on her at the end of June, in readiness for crossing the Atlantic. They will compel me to sail all the way across, but I am going to ask permission to tow the boat during dead calms. That can be no advantage to her, but will give more time for getting the boat prepared in America for the race."

"I have got the pick of all the racing sailors in Great Britain," said Sir Thomas Lipton. "I don't want to boast, but I feel pretty confident that this time you will see that cup-taking a change for its health back to the Old Country." "Daily Telegraph."

RECTOR (Rhode Island), Feb. 28.

The preliminary meetings of the ball of the "Hibernian" dancers, which are to be held at the "Hibernian" hall, will be held at 8 p.m. on March 27th. The ball will be held at 8 p.m. on March 27th. The ball will be held at 8 p.m. on March 27th.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

THE ULSTER CRISIS.

THE GOVERNMENT'S DETERMINATION.

PROLONGED CABINET MEETINGS.

LONDON, March 28. Mr. P. Illingworth, the Chief Government Whip, speaking at Blackburn, said that even though every soldier were to resign the Government would not flinch a hair's breadth from their task—a remark that was received with vociferous cheering.

The Cavalry Officers.

Brig-General Gough and other officers have left Curragh for London.

Resignation of General French and Ewart.

After another prolonged Cabinet meeting, Mr. Asquith announced to the House of Commons that Field-Marshal Sir John French and General Sir John Ewart had resigned.

The Government requested them to remain awaiting the final reply.

Renewed Crisis Anticipated.

The protraction of the Cabinet meetings, coupled with the summoning of Field-Marshal French and the postponement of Mr. Asquith's statement is interpreted in the lobbies as indicating a renewed crisis.

Early Election Predicted.

The probabilities of an early election are regarded as having been strengthened.

The newspapers are of opinion that the postponement of Mr. Asquith's statement on the subject of Sir John French indicates the extent of the pressure to induce a withdrawal of his resignation.

The "Loyalists."

Brig-General Gough is still at Curragh and Sir E. Carson has left Belfast for London.

The Prime Minister's Statement.

WHY THE GENERALS RESIGNED.

Mr. Asquith, continuing his statement in the House of Commons, said that Field-Marshal French and Brig-General Sir John Ewart desired to resign not because they differed from the Government, but because they initiated the memorandum. The Government would regard their resignations as a serious misfortune to the Army and the State. (Cheers.) General French and Ewart believed that they were carrying out the instructions of the Cabinet, and in view of these misunderstandings the Army Council, including the two officers, issued a new Army Order that, firstly, no officer or soldier in the future should be questioned regarding his attitude in hypothetical contingencies; secondly, asking for assurances about orders which they might be required to obey was forbidden; and thirdly, that they must obey lawful commands to safeguard private property or support the civil power in the ordinary execution of its duty or in case of disturbances.

Mr. Asquith reiterated that it was altogether untrue that any Minister contemplated active operations against Ulster. (Cheers.)

Mr. Bonar Law declared that he did not object to the new rules, but the old regulations covered every point. (Cheers.) The new rules were solely due to the Government's incredible folly.

[It will be seen that the first part of Mr. Asquith's statement has been delayed in transmission.—Ed.]

The Army Unimpaired.

The conference of the principal Generals at the War Office yesterday was private, but it is learnt that the opinion was unanimous that the soldiers of the Army are unimpaired.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

HOME RACING.

THE GRAND NATIONAL.

LONDON, March 28. The Grand National Steeplechase (1 mile 850 yards) run at Liverpool to-day resulted as follows:—

Mr. T. Tyler's Sunloch (W. J. Smith) 1
Mr. H. de Mun's Trianon III. (Hawkins) 2
Mr. J. Hennessy's Lutter III. (Darter) 3

Went by eight lengths. Eight lengths between second and third.

Mr. P. Whitaker's Rory O'More was fourth.

Also ran:—Covercoat (Woodland), Ballyhackle (Ussher), Another Delight (G. Brown), Courtesan II. (Jack Anthony), Bloodstone (F. Lyall), Jacobus (Piggott), Great Cross (Owen Anthony), Regent (Drake), Ilston (Evan Anthony), Thoroughbred (Isaac Morgan), All Gold II. (Captain Stokes), Dutch Portman (Parnham), Blowpipe (H. Blotsoe), Fletch's Pride (Dale), Diplomatist II. (M. Davis), Bahadur (Hall).

The starting prices were 100 to 6 against Sunloch, 100 to 8 Trianon III., 10 to 1 Lutter III.

Covercoat was favourite at 7 to 1. Sunloch took the lead at the second fence and made the running from there to the end of the race.

Time, 9m. 55s. and 54 1/2 seconds. Sunloch was trained by Tyler and carried 9st. 7lb. He is a bay gelding by Sunloch-Gallop and ran four times last year; won the Farmers' Hurdle at Eton Park and was placed second the other three outings.

Last year's result was Covercoat, Irish Mail, Curragh. All the other runners either fell or were pulled up, except one which was pulled up—Pill.

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COMMERCIAL.

SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Vernon and Smyth, in their weekly share report, dated March 27th state:—

Business during the week in local stocks has again been very limited owing to the activity in the London market and settlement day. The market for Tangkats in the early part of the week was fairly steady, but gradually weakened until yesterday shares were on offer as low as Tia 57.

Later the market recovered sharply to a buying quotation of Tia 61 but at the close has again suddenly weakened to a selling rate of Tia 59 with sales affected at this price.

The "Rebber" market during the period under review has remained firm, but with business very limited and the same remark applied to the "Tin" market. Fine Hard Para is advanced from Home as now standing at 3/ per lb. and Fine Hard Para has improved to 3/8 per lb. The open market rate of discount has again declined, and is advised as being 2 per cent. the Bank of England rate being unchanged viz. 3 per cent. B.R. Silver is quoted at 28 1/2 for ready and 28 1/2 for forward. Sterling T.T. at 1/11, Shanghai T.T. at 7/4 and Singapore T.T. at 8/2. Consols have advanced to 75.

London—Sales have taken place in Hongkong and Shanghai at 2810 and London is a seller at 2811.

Marine Insurance—Unions have been a quiet market and close with a nominal quotation of 3445, and Cautions are now on offer at 2332 without leading to business. North China are wanted at the improved rate of Tia 142, and Nantong, after sales at 2205 close with a nominal quotation at 2210.

Five Insurance—China Fires have sold at 1145 and Hongkong Fires are offered at 368, with no business to report.

Shipping—Hongkong, Canton and Macao have been a dull market, and close with a nominal quotation of 2205, and Douglas remain on offer at 2205 without leading to any transactions. China and Manila have buyers at 48, and Star Ferries are wanted at 249, with no shares on offer. Indo-China have sellers at 271, and are advised from London at 147 1/2 middle.

Oil—The oil market has again been very inactive, and prices round about last week's quotation. "Shells" are advised from London at 101 1/2 middle. Ural Caspians at 49 1/2, and Mexican Eagles at 40.

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THE BANDMANN OPERA COMPANY.

SEPARATION OF SIAMESE TWINS.

Successful Operation in Paris.

PARIS, March 4.

The projected operation on the new Siamese twins, Suzanne and Madeleine, was carried out this morning by Dr. Le Filliatre, in a nursing home in the Rue de Douai. It appears to have been successful. Suzanne and Madeleine are no longer one, but two. The bridge of fibrocartilaginous tissue which united them has been severed. The danger the surgeon had to reckon with was that some important organs should have been common to both babies. Radiography had not given any definite indications on this subject. The result appears to prove that Suzanne and Madeleine had each her complete complement of vital organs.

This operation was performed in the presence of a number of interested medical and scientific celebrities. Dr. Le Filliatre had three assistants. Dr. Rischauer, Dr. Delamain, and the latter's wife, who is a fully qualified physician. A local anesthetic, cocaine, was used in microscopic quantities—four and a half milligrams in a 100 to 500 solution.

A special set of tiny instruments had been made for the operation—a doll's set—as the ordinary instruments would have been too clumsy for this "surgical jewellery work" to use the surgeon's phrase. The operation lasted a quarter of an hour, and the twins, though they cried a little, did not appear to suffer greatly. They are now doing as well as can be expected. We learn that they are restricted to a milk diet, but as they are barely three months old, no dismal prognostics are to be drawn from the fact.

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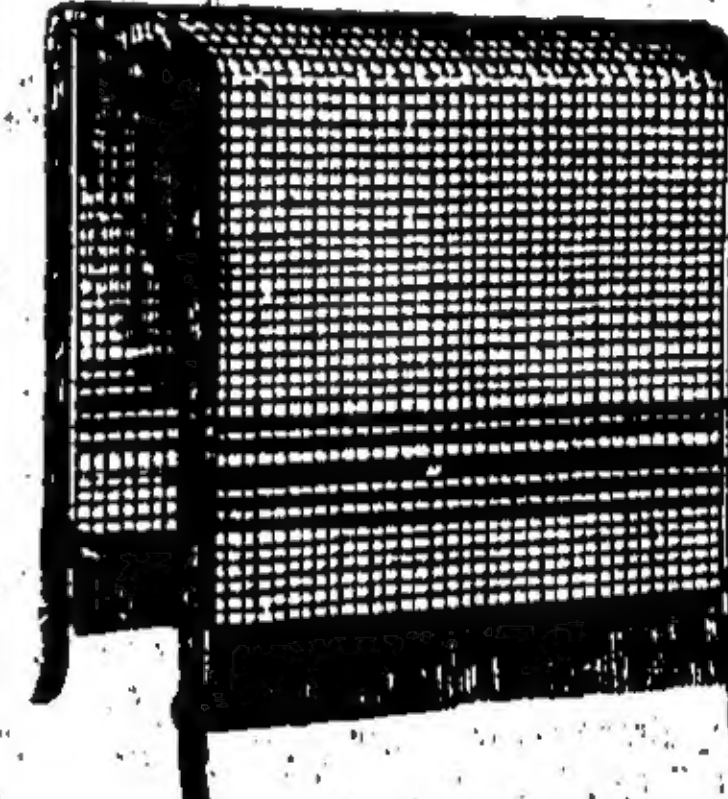
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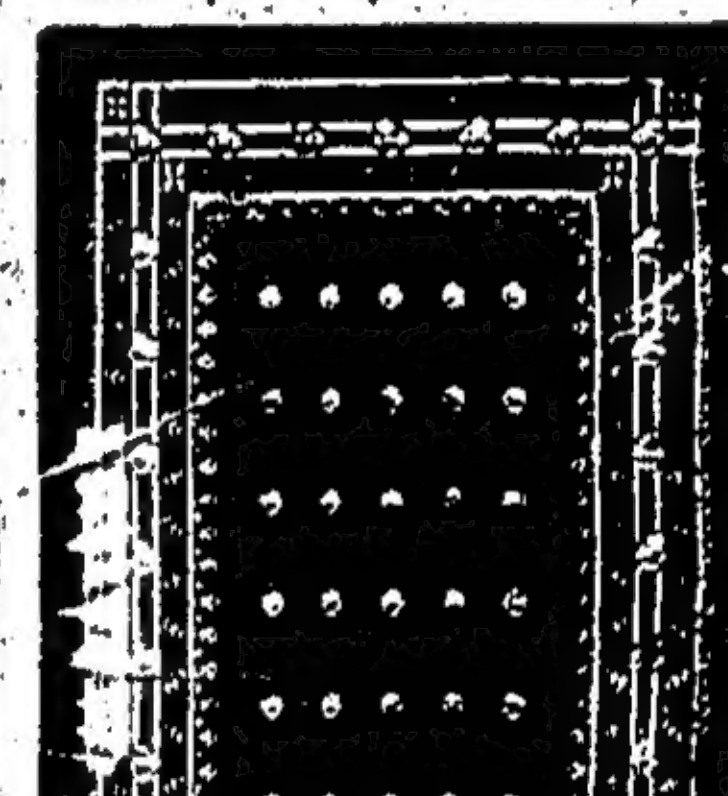
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	SHIDZUOKA MARU Capt. Sakaue Tons 13,500	TUESDAY, 21st April, at Noon.

KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KAGA MARU Capt. Tobara Tons 12,500	THURSDAY, 9th April, at 11 a.m.
	SANUKI MARU Capt. Deguchi Tons 12,500	SATURDAY, 11th April, at Noon.

MAJASARI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	NIKKO MARU Capt. R. Takeda Tons 9,600	WEDNESDAY, 8th April, at 11 a.m.
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Steamer	Displacement	Leave Hongkong
TENYO MARU	22,000-21 knots	Saturday, 4th Apr.
NIPPON MARU	11,000-18 knots	Wednesday, 8th Apr.
HONGKONG MARU	11,000-18 knots	Saturday 25th Apr.
SHINYO MARU	22,000-21 knots	from Kobe 11th May.
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KIYO MARU	17,000-14 knots	

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For	Steamers	To SAIL
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MARSHALLS, via Port	AMAZONE ATLANTIQUE PAUL LECAT	7th April at 1 p.m. 21st April at 1 p.m. 5th May at 1 p.m.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	CHENAN	To-night Midnight.
WELHAIWEI & TIENTSIN	EVERCROW	Mar. 29, Daylight.
SAIGON	JOOCROW	Mar. 30, Daylight.
SHANGHAI	SHAOHONG	Mar. 31, at Noon.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	TAKING	Mar. 31, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	ANHUI	Apr. 1, at 4 p.m.
HAIPHONG & TIENTSIN	KAIKONG	Apr. 3, at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	YINGCROW	Apr. 4, Midnight.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	TEAN	Apr. 4, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	LIANGCROW	Apr. 7, at 6 p.m.

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SHANGHAI, KORE & MOJI, KITSANG	TUESDAY	Mar. 31, at 2 p.m.
SHANGHAI	WEDNESDAY	April 1, Daylight.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & JALANGSANG	FRIDAY	April 3, at 2 p.m.
MANILA	YUENSANG	SATURDAY, April 4, at 2 p.m.
YOKOHAMA, KORE & MOJI, LOTAT	TUESDAY	April 7, at Noon.
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